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Two potential District 4 candidates challenge Election Board decision

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

There have been two challenges to Ho-Chunk Election Board decisions concerning the February 28 General Primary Election filed in Ho-Chunk Trial Court.

Before any ballots are cast, the Ho-Chunk Election Board is responsible for screening each of the candidates. Only when the candidates have been cleared and the signatures have been determined as authentic are the candidates' names cleared to be printed on the ballot.

The two cases are John Contreras versus Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, and Valerie Kempen versus Bridgette Schulz, in her official capacity as chairperson of the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board and the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, according to Noah Lentz, law clerk/staff attorney for the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court.

"Both cases were initiated by people seeking to be candidates for the District 4 legislative election. However, besides the fact that they happened to be running for the same district and were both denied from

being placed on the ballot, Contreras's and Kempen's cases are not related," Lentz said.

A Special Primary Election for District 4, Seat 1, is slated for Tuesday, April 7, with Valerie Kempen's name on the ballot, but John Contreras's name is not present.

"They were both candidacy challenges—that is, the Election Board determined that neither should be placed on the ballots due to issues found in their nomination petitions, and both challenged that determination," Lentz said.

This puts them in a different class than a "standard" election challenge - that is, one coming after an election is held arguing that there was something wrong with the election. While the Court has had quite a few election cases in the past, it has handled very few cases of this particular type, he said.

The Trial Court has issued a final order in both cases. In Kempen, the Court decided against the Election Board on February 25, halting the election. The Election Board appealed that decision to the Supreme Court, where it is still pending. A decision has not yet been issued.

"This case arises out of plaintiff's challenge of the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board's refusal to certify her Official Nomination Petition, because of what this Court finds are two technicalities, neither of which are supported by the Election Code," the decision reads, issued by pro tem Judge Paul Stenzel, who was appointed only for the two cases.

"The first of these technicalities is that one of the plaintiff's 11 nomination signatories signed the Petition using her legal, married name but is identified by the

Office of Tribal Enrollment by her previous, maiden name. The second technicality is that one eligible voter failed to specifically identify her district, only providing a zip code which is clearly within the bounds of District 4," the decision reads.

"There is no dispute that both of the disputed nomination signatories are Ho-Chunk members and that they otherwise are eligible voters as defined by the relevant law. The Court concludes that the Official Nomination Petition is in substantial compliance, and, that denying Ms. Kempen the opportunity to be on the ballot would be denying her on the basis of a technicality in violation of Ho-Chunk law," the court document stated.

"As described below, the Court therefore provides injunctive relief to Ms. Kempen. Because the Election Board's determination to disqualify the plaintiff as a candidate is found to arbitrary and capricious and inconsistent with the Election Code, the Court reverses the Election Board's findings and remands to the Election Board to proceed with putting the plaintiff's name on the ballot as consistent with this decision."

In Contreras case, the Court issued an order denying both Contreras's motion for a preliminary injunction and the Election Board's motion to dismiss. The Election Board attempted to appeal that to the Supreme Court, but that appeal was rejected. As a result, the Court continued to preside over Contreras's case, and March 18 it issued a final order granting the Election Board's motion for summary judgment. Contreras had the opportunity to appeal to the Supreme Court, but did



not do so by the deadline of March 21.

"This case arises out of Mr. Contreras' challenge to the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board's decision to deny him a place on the District 4 Legislative ballot," the Court's decision reads.

"The Board denied the plaintiff, Mr. Contreras, a place on the ballot because it ruled that at least one of the signatures on the plaintiff's Official Nomination Petition Form did not match the signature on file with the Ho-Chunk Nation Office of Tribal Enrollment," the Court document reads.

Shortly after the case was filed, the plaintiff sought preliminary injunctive relief; defendant sought dismissal. The Court denied both requests. Therefore, the case lacked a final disposition. The Board filed a motion for Summary Judgment, the court order stated.

The Court now grants

the defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment. The Court finds that there are no genuine issues of material fact and that the defendants are entitled to judgment as a matter of law.



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my relatives;*
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appreciate each of you;
those that went and
made the extra effort to
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Cleveland on the ballot
for President of our
Great Ho-Chunk Nation.
It is with sincere,
humble gratitude that I
express my appreciation.

As Ho-Chunk Nation forges ahead making a way
for our generations coming up, we look back for
guidance and knowledge as to how our elders
before us bought our government to where we are
today. We must never forget who they were and
through who they were, not to forget who we are
today, a Great Ho-Chunk Nation Member.

I am thankful to those that considered my
platform to continue the desires of our past chosen
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Language, our Ways Of Life, Traditions and
Culture: Aikituti, help one another; Nacgewokici,
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have love for one another; and Woisak, have
respect for one another. I would like to make the
efforts for the tomorrows that lie ahead by using
Ho-Chunk teachings interwoven with modern
technology so they could be realized and
understood by you the Voter. It is my heartfelt
and valued inspiration. Thank you so much for
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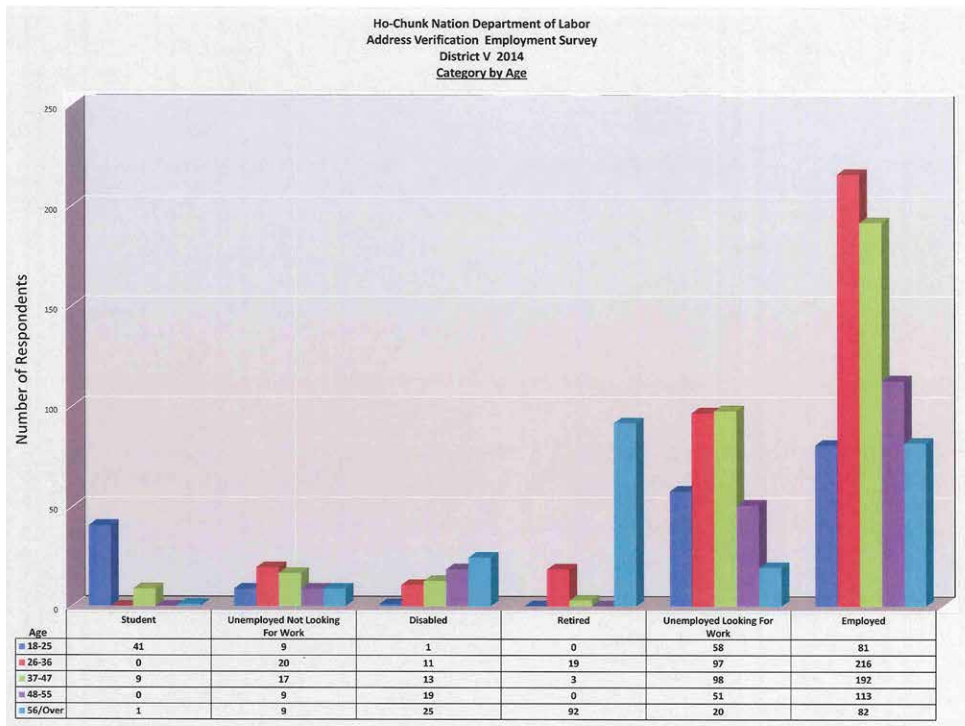
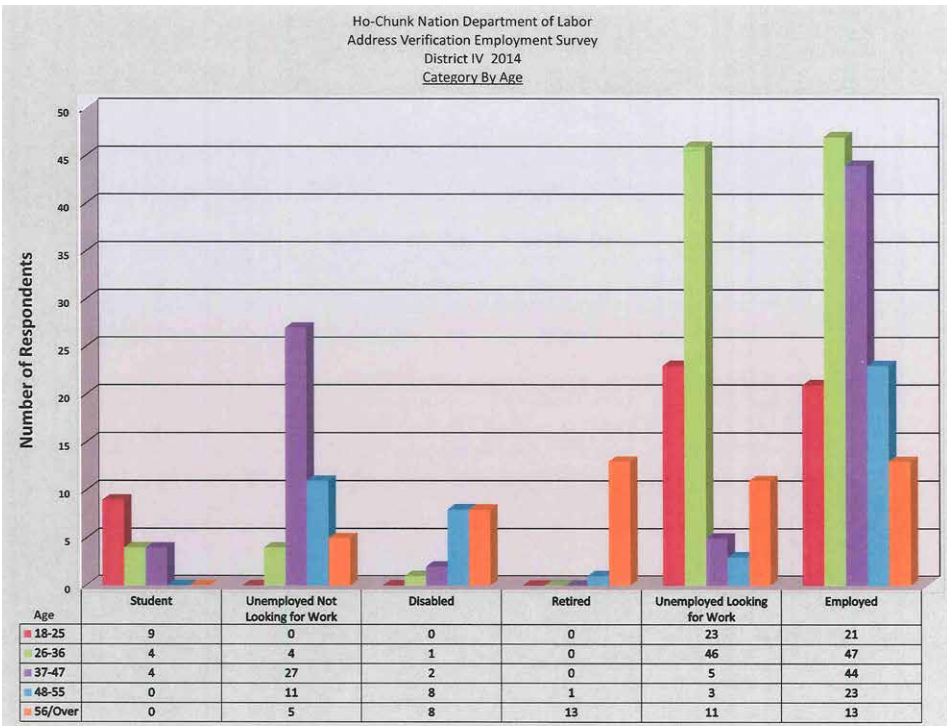
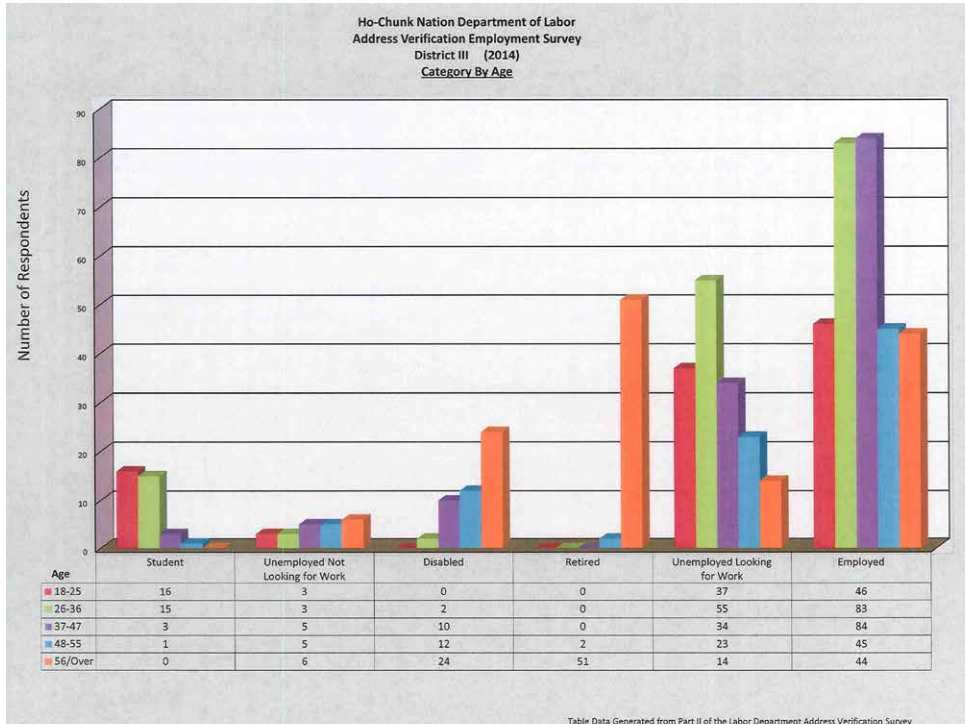
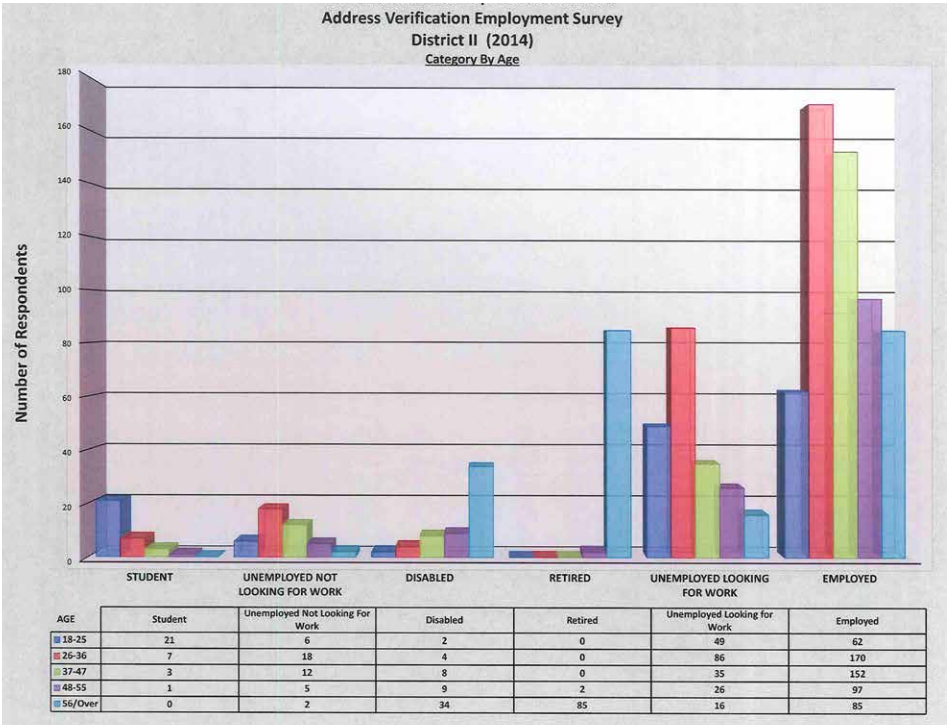
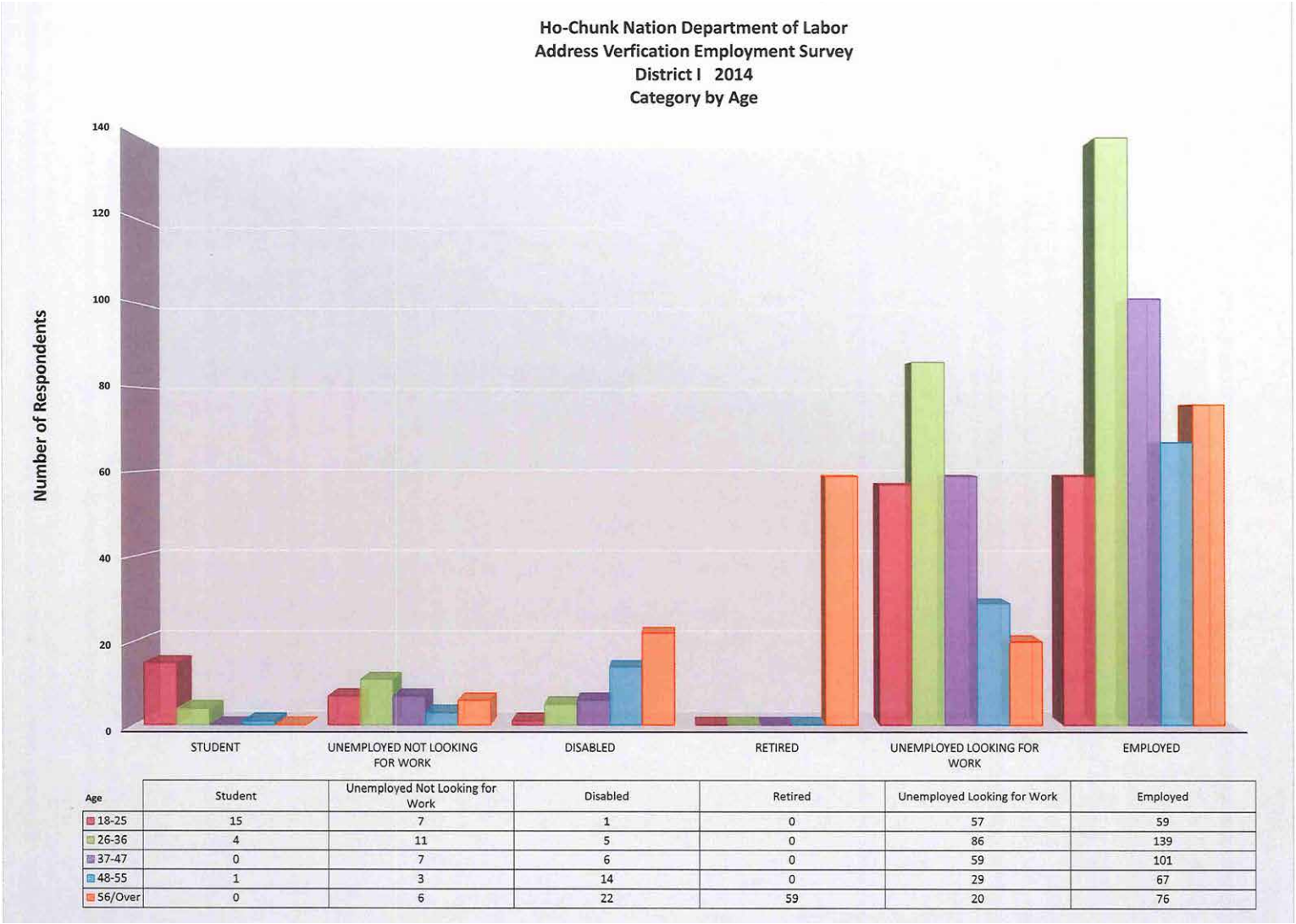
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Labor Department employment survey

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Labor conducts an annual employment survey. The survey is on the back side of the Enrollment Address Verification Form. The additions to the 2014 regular employment survey had questions asking the Nations membership about “Barriers to Employment” “Career Goals” and Educational Status”. This very important information provided by tribal members is used to guide and improve services to the nation’s membership by Executive branches. The next couple of newsletters to will feature a continuation of this series with information broken down by district and age. The Department of Labor looks forward to sharing and having dialog regarding this information. Please call 715-284-5877 or email WFD@ho-Chunk.com or stop in to see us.

“GROWING AND SUSTAINING OUR WORKFORCE THROUGH COLLABORATION AND DEDICATION”



MOU signed for Ho-Chunk child protection

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Ho-Chunk Nation President Jon Greendeer, Jackson County Health & Human Services Director Beth Smetana, and Black River Falls School District Superintendent Shelly Severson signed a MOU (memorandum of understanding) to ensure all agencies work together when dealing with Ho-Chunk children.

The three agencies joined together on March 10, 2015 in a ceremonial signing of the document.

“The MOU Signing Ceremony reflects the importance of collaborative relationships in promoting mutual goals to strengthen Ho-Chunk children and families,” according to Desiree Gearing-Lancaster, Program Manager with the Child and Family Services Division, Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Coordinated Services Team is named ‘Wazokina Womansak’ – ‘Strengthening Ourselves by Strengthening our Families.’ The teaming process focuses on the child and family, the informal support systems as identified by the child and family, family and kinship networks and formal support.

Those formal professional supports include departments and divisions working with the family such as social workers, behavioral health counselors, school systems and other professionals through the Nation and the wider

community. Additional partner commitments include the Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court, Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice, Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health, Behavioral Health, Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services, and Jackson County Health & Human Services, including Public Health.

The promotion of culture and traditions within the Coordinated Services Team (CST) teaming process is crucial. This includes family and kinship networks within the teaming process as a protective network for children, Gearing-Lancaster said. Through the CST process, it is hoped that the impact of historical trauma, which contributes to the breakdown of the family and kinship system can be addressed.

A child having needs in two of the following areas may qualify for CST: behavioral health (mental health and AODA); is academically challenged; medically fragile or has a physical disability; is part of child welfare services (prevention, Indian Child Welfare, child protection, juvenile justice and Resource Center services); other interventions have not been successful over time; and/or at risk for out of home placement. CST is a voluntary program so parents must be willing to be involved in the Coordinated Services Team, Gearing-Lancaster said.

According to Carolyn Blackdeer, Ho-Chunk Nation CST Project Facili-



Ho-Chunk Nation President Jon Greendeer signs the Memorandum of Understanding while Beth Smetana of Jackson County Health and Human Services and Shelly Severson of the Black River Falls School District await their turns.

tator, “Wrap-around services really work. Family and Kinship networks have been a strong tradition for the Ho-Chunk Nation for generations. It takes a whole village to raise a child.”

The Coordinated Services Team Mission statement speaks for itself.

“As a team, we work to honor families, strengthen relationships, and create options that empower families to live healthy, hopeful, safe and connected lives in the community for themselves and future generations.”

Child Support Update Jackson County Case Transfer Process

Submitted by Roxanne Mudd, Specialist
HCN Child Support Agency

As you know, the HCN Child Support Agency (HCN CSA) has opened its doors in May 2014. We currently have 335 open cases. We have 2 active Specialists and 1 new Specialist that has just been hired. As we are excited to work with you, we want to let the members know what is happening in this Agency. By providing this informative article we hope you will help you be more acquainted with the case transfer process and what steps are involved with Jackson County.

Transfer Process

In December 2014, the HCN CSA began working with Jackson County Child Support Agency to start the process of transferring cases from their agency to our Tribal agency. Our agreement with Jackson County is to transfer 25 cases per month. With this agreement, a specific process will happen before the case actually gets “transferred” to the Tribe. Below we will explain the actual process to give you more knowledge on the timeframe and the court process accompanied with these transfers.

Step One:

The HCN CSA will send a list of 25 court cases to the Jackson County CSA for possible case transfer.

Step Two:

Jackson County CSA will send out an “Intent to Transfer” letter to all of the parties including the HCN Trial Court. This action starts their 20 day waiting period, giving each party an opportunity to object or request a hearing.

Step Three:

Upon receipt of the “Intent to Transfer” letter from Jackson County. The HCN Trial Court will draft an Order of “Conditional Acceptance of Transfer”. The HCN Court will mail the signed order to the Jackson County CSA and HCN CSA.

Step Four:

The HCN CSA will draft a “Motion to Accept Transfer of a Foreign Case”. After completion of this process. The motion is sent to all parties. The parties will have 10 days to object to the transfer of the case from Jackson County to HCN.

Step Five:

If no objection is filed, Jackson County will draft an “Order for Transfer” and submit it to the County Judge for signature. After the Order is signed, Jackson County CSA will mail a certified copy of the order to the HCN Trial Court.

Step Six:

The HCN Trial Court will prepare the Order “Acceptance of Transfer”. The signed Order will be mailed to all parties. Once Jackson County receives HCN Order,


the county will have 2 weeks to work with the HCN Trial Court on how they will be sending us the files.

Conclusion:

Once parties receives HCN Trial Court ORDER “Acceptance of Transfer”, the case will belong to the Ho-Chunk Nation and the HCN Child Support Agency will now have control over your case. You will receive a Welcome letter from the Child Support

Specialist assigned to your case.

As a reminder, from Step One to Step Six, it may take up to 30 days or more to complete the full cycle.




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The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court's mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

Winnebago claims first state title since 1940

DARYL BLUE
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR

More than seven decades of waiting came to an end Saturday afternoon for the Winnebago boys basketball team. The Indians completed their 28-game journey with a 66-51 win against Columbus Scotus in the Class C1 state tournament final at Pinnacle Bank Arena. It was Winnebago's first state title since 1940, when it defeated Minatare 23-22 in Class B.

With 31 seconds left Saturday and senior Mathew Wingett at the free-throw line, Winnebago coach Jeff Berridge pulled his starters, much to the delight of the large Winnebago following. After Wingett made his second free throw to finish the game with 22 points and the tournament with 68, he exited and started

hugging teammates. With eight seconds left, senior reserve Levi Blackhawk stopped his dribble and held the ball in one hand. When the horn sounded, he threw the ball in the air and when it came down, the Indians were halfway to midcourt for a huge dog pile.

"We've been talking about winning this tournament," Wingett said. "We said after we win the state championship we're gonna be gods, we're gonna be legends."

Winnebago players gathered in a hallway after cutting down the nets and receiving their gold medals. There were more hugs, high-fives and tears. Legends, maybe, but definitely champions.

"This title, the dedication, the hard work and the love of the game these boys showed

make this season different," Berridge said. "These boys rally for their fans, they play for the fans. Winnebago is a basketball community. We have had good teams, but we've never had a team like this that could take us this far."

Winnebago's start wasn't as dominating as its 21-6 and 24-5 first-quarter leads against Wahoo and Grand Island Central Catholic in the first two rounds, but the win against the second-ranked Shamrocks (22-6) was secure when Wingett answered Scotus' only second-half rally with back-to-back baskets that gave the Indians a 47-35 lead with a minute left in the third quarter. That stopped an 11-2 Scotus run.

The Indians (27-1) sprinted to a 14-point halftime lead behind the scoring of Mathew's younger brother, David, a 6-foot-5 sophomore. David Wingett scored 15 points in the first half, including a 3-for-4 effort from beyond the arc. Isaiah Medina added nine of his 16 points in the first half.

Winnebago's ability and its impact on the game wasn't lost on Scotus coach Jeff Ohnoutka.

"Winnebago is a fantastic basketball team," Ohnoutka said. "They deserve to be the state champion. They're as



Winnebago's Isaiah Medina holds up a number one while celebrating with David Wingett (top middle), Drake Gorrin (11) and others after a 66-51 win over Scotus in the Class C1 boys state championship game at Pinnacle Bank Arena.

good or better than anybody we've played all year long. We just didn't have an answer for them. I thought there were times we were on the verge of making a run, but they shot us down every time."

Scotus stayed in striking distance early behind the scoring of sophomores Dalton Taylor and Cody Mroczek. They led the Shamrocks with 13 points apiece, while Grant Lahm, the school's career scoring leader, had 12.

Winnebago shot 48 percent for the game, compared with 34 percent for Scotus. The Shamrocks were 7-for-27 on

three-pointers, while the Indians made 8 of 15.

"Their ability to take you off the dribble is tremendous," Ohnoutka said. "It's not like they're getting all the way to the rim, but they're hitting those bank shots as they're running into the paint and that's not luck, that's skill. Those guys are highly skilled players and they have a couple guys who can shoot threes like they did at the start of the game. You can't play zone against them, there's just no way."

Zane Wolf takes state wrestling championship

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

When Rita Wolf, Athens, Georgia, tells stories about her family's sports achievements, she has double the reason to be proud.

Her son, Zane, is a state wrestling champion this year. Zane won the 145-pound State Championship leading the Eagles to a ninth-place finish in the state on February 24. Zane is now a two-time state placer, one time state Champion as a Junior. Zane began wrestling as a Freshman.

And her other son, Zachary, was state runner up last year after wrestling for only two seasons.

Zachary, 19, is presently a freshman at University of North Georgia.

Zachary also has an upcoming amateur Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) fight scheduled for May of this year.

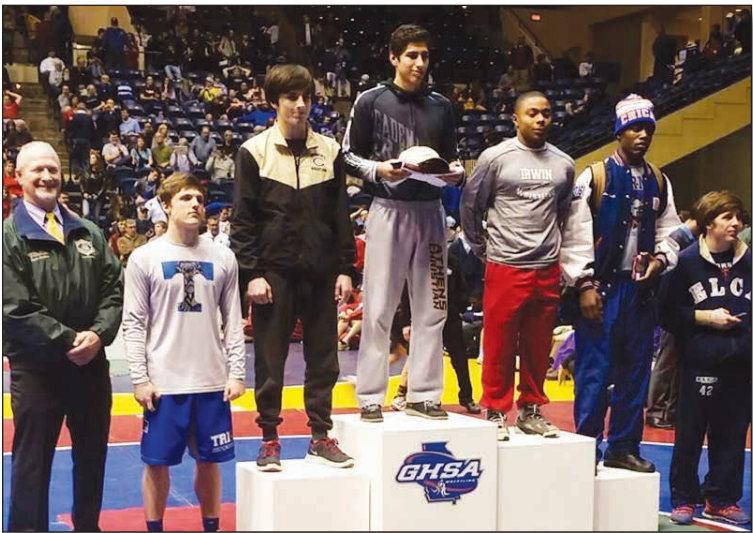
"Both my sons are mixed martial artists. They have

both competed and won in numerous Brazilian Jui Jitsu grappling tournaments, Taekwondo tournaments and the last three years in wrestling," Rita said.

Zane is a junior in high school, 17 years old, at Athens Christian School. He won the Division 1A 145 lb. state championship last month in the state of Georgia with a record of 29-2. He also won the state area tournament and the state sectional tournament, giving him a spot at the state finals.

"Zane began wrestling his freshman year and placed sixth at state finals that year," Rita said. "Both have dozens of medals, ribbons and belts from their wins. They began taking Brazilian Jui Jitsu classes with a veteran UFC fighter when they were 12 and 14 and blossomed from there."

Rita Wolf is daughter of Adam and Doris Funmaker.



Zane Wolf stands atop the championship pyramid, having taken first place for the 145-pound class in wrestling.

Pace and Pedal
Duathlon 5.5 Mile Run | 10 Mile Bike

Saturday, May 30th, 2015
Wazee Lake Recreation Area, Black River Falls, WI

8:00 a.m.	Pace & Pedal Duathlon Registration - \$30 per person or \$45 per team 5.5 Mile Trail Run, 10 Mile Bike (helmet required) Registration includes event registration, chip timing & t-shirt*
8:15 a.m.	Wazee Fun Run/Walk Registration - \$15 per person 2.7 Mile Trail Run/Walk (strollers welcome, no pets) Registration includes event registration & t-shirt*
10:00 a.m.	Youth Race - (1.1 miles) Registration - FREE Registration includes race headband and participant medal
10:45 a.m.	Pace & Pedal Duathlon Award Ceremony

* receive a performance t-shirt when registered by May 15th, 2015

RACE DIVISIONS
Pace & Pedal Duathlon: 12 & under, 13-18, 19-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 60+, 2-person Team
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Speeding now enforced by Ho-Chunk police

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Those flashing lights on the car behind you might not be who you think.

Instead of the county or city law enforcement at your heels, it may be our own Ho-Chunk officers in blue, ready to put the brakes on your lead foot.

Ho-Chunk Nation law enforcement officers now have the ability to ticket anyone for speeding on tribal lands and

communities.

The code was enacted by resolution to the Ho-Chunk Legislature on March 17. And with that passage, it immediately went into effect.

When working with drafting the criminal code, the code-developing legislative group asked if anything needed to be established on the civil side. Ho-Chunk Nation Police Chief Earl Lemieux told the legislative group that speed

enforcement was a possibility.

And so the wheels started turning and the code was drafted, then approved.

“There is nothing more illegal than what was illegal before,” Garvin said. “It’s just that now our police department can enforce it and the fine will go to the Ho-Chunk Nation, not to the county.”

Garvin emphasized that the new enforcement has nothing to do with generating revenue

– rather more about the Nation asserting its jurisdiction and working more toward sovereignty.

While the developing criminal code pertains to only enrolled Ho-Chunk members, the civil enforcement of the speeding ordinance pertains to everyone, regardless of race or affiliation.

“Anyone speeding can get a ticket. We don’t anticipate any rise in the number of citations,

it’s just that we are pursuing our sovereignty. It’s a big part of why we developed our own police department.”

The Ho-Chunk Police Department will have the ability to enforce the ordinance on any Ho-Chunk Nation land and any of the Ho-Chunk communities.

“It’s all part of the effort to help move our nation forward,” Garvin said.

Elders receive safety training

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Occupational, Health and Safety Officer Ashley Blackcoon, with the Ho-Chunk Nation Labor Department, conducted his first safety class on Thursday, March 19, for the elder staff meeting In Tomah.

“Jean Stacy (ECWC-Administrator) of the elder program asked me to come and give them some training. I gave them Safety Orientation

and at the end I handed them a certificate,” Blackcoon said.

“It was my first time to have the privilege to instruct my first safety class. I was little nervous but I know I would do fine. They all had a lot of good questions and I was able to answer them,” he said. “They were sweet happy class. I am happy to know that elders have right training to be safe and what to do in case of incident.”



Graduates of the Safety Orientation class are (standing, from left) Amos Kingsley Jr., Joyce Warner, Levi Thunder, Arlene Shegonee, Martina Littlewolf-Falcon, Constance Lonetree, Iris Laes, Eileen Blackdeer, Instructor Ashley Blackcoon, Lona Decorah, Berna BigThunder-Hindsely, Francis Decorah, (seated) Verna Rieder and Alma Miner. Not pictured is Elder Community Work Project Director Jean Stacy.

NOTICE AND RULES OF GENERAL RUN OFF ELECTION TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation has called a General Primary Election. **ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS** and the Election Code 2 HCC Sec. 6, states in relevant part:

Chapter 1, Section 5. Elections. The Constitution prescribes two (20) types of elections: General Elections and Special Elections. When Three (3) or more candidates run for a seat in a General or a Special Election, there shall be a Primary Election and if required a Runoff Election as described in Section 5, paragraph (1)

(3) Any candidate who received fifty percent (50 %) plus one (1) if the total votes cast shall be deemed as winner.

Therefore the following were Declared Winners in their respective Districts as of February 28, 2015:

District 2, Seat 1: Andrea “Pepper” Estebo
District 5, Seat 2: Forrest Whiterabbit

Supreme Court Associate Justice 2; Todd R. Matha

b. General Elections
(1). General Elections shall be held in accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution, which states: Section 1. General Elections. General Elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in June of odd numbered years. Offices of the Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary shall be filled at General Elections.

Therefore the following will be placed on the ballot for the General Election on Tuesday, June 2, 2015.

Ho-Chunk Nation President
July 2015 - June 2019
Wilfrid Cleveland
Robert V. Two Bears

LEGISLATURE
District 1, Seat 2
July 2015 – June 2019
Douglas G. Greengrass
Susan Waukon

District 3, Seat 1
July 2015 – June 2019
Heather R. Cloud
Kathy DeCamp

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:
Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Code Sec. 11 (a) (b).

REGISTRATION:
Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place by showing identification before receiving an Official Ballot. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:
Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual’s name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.

The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. Section 11. c. ii. (Deadline, Tuesday, May 12, 2015).

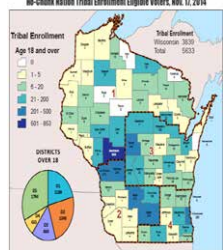
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Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidate(s) list to Election Board is Deadline, Tuesday, May 12, 2015@ 4:30 p.m.

ABSENTEE VOTING:
A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Wednesday, May 20, 2015 by 4:00 P.M. See Election Code, Page 26, Sec. 13 (a) (i). Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter’s name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number.

Please check eligible voter’s lists for your Districts.

Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on **Tuesday, June 2, 2015**. Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX AND UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**



POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:
The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:
Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:
There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Saturday, February 28, 2015

POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Monday, March 2, 2015

POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Saturday, May 2, 2015

CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:30 PM
Tuesday, May 12, 2015

LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Wednesday, May 20, 2015 4:00 PM

GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 2, 2015

POLLING PLACES: OPEN AT 8:00 A.M AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.

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NOTICE AND RULES OF MAIL BALLOTING ELECTION TRUST & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Trust and Investment Committee Establishment and Organization Act of 2011 1 HCC § 16 and the Election Code 2 HCC § 6, Sec.8 c.

14. Mail Ballot Voting.

a. Mail Ballot Voting.
i. Determination as to whether to conduct an Election by mail balloting. (a) At the discretion of the Election Board, elections shall be conducted by mail ballot. (b) Subject to the limitation provided in Section 14, subparagraph a. (1), the Election Board shall include within its Election Day Guide and Standard Operating Procedures criteria for limiting its discretion as to when an election shall use solely the procedures for poll place voting, which are contained in Section 13, or use solely the procedures for mail balloting, which are contained in Section 14. The Internal Operating Rules shall require that an election be conducted solely using mail balloting or poll place voting. (2) Procedures for Mail Balloting. (a) The Election Board shall designate a Post Office Box rented by the Board as the place where Ballots shall be returned. Ballots must be received at the Post Office Box designated by the Election Board not later than the day of the Election. (b) The Election Board shall send by United States Mail a ballot to each eligible voter or Ho-Chunk Member who will be an eligible voter by the date of the election. The Election Board shall mail ballots forty-five (45) calendar days before the date of the election; and, if said date falls on a weekend, then on the first working day thereafter. (c) A Voter may obtain a replacement ballot from the Election Board if his or her ballot is destroyed, spoiled, lost or not received by the Voter. (d) The Election Board shall not mail a replacement ballot later than ten (10) working days before the day of an Election. If pursuant to Section 14, subparagraph a. (3) a voter requests a replacement ballot, the Election Board shall only give a replacement ballot if the request for the replacement ballot is made fifteen (15) working days before the day of the Election. b. Ballots. The Ballot package mailed out by the Election Board shall consist of a ballot which otherwise meets the requirements of Section 12, an outer envelope, instruction sheet, ballot secrecy envelope, and return envelope. c. Voting Procedure. The Voter shall mark the ballot and place it in the ballot secrecy envelope and seal it. The Voter shall then place the ballot secrecy envelope inside the return envelope and seal it. The return envelope shall be signed by the Voter as his or her name appears on the return envelope and he or she shall return it by United States Mail to the location designated by the Election Board. d. Returns. The Board shall verify that the returned envelope bears the signature of the voter. If the envelope is not signed, the ballot shall be rejected. The entire rejected ballot shall be deposited unopened in a separate, secure box for invalid ballots. If the envelope is not signed, the ballot shall be rejected. The entire rejected ballot shall be deposited unopened in a separate, secure box for invalid ballots. If the envelope is signed, the ballot shall be deposited in the locked ballot box. For ballots placed in the locked ballot box, the Election Board shall make a notation in the poll book, next to the Voter’s name, that indicates that the Voter has returned his or her ballot. e. Multiple Ballots. If a Voter to whom a replacement ballot has been issued pursuant to Subsection a. (2) (c) of this Section votes more than once, only the ballot with the earliest postmark shall be counted. If there are two (2) or more ballots with the same

postmark, date for one (1) Voter, neither ballot shall be counted.
f. Security of Ballots. Returned Ballots shall remain in the designated Post Office Box until retrieved by the Election Administrator. The Election Administrator shall retrieve returned ballots on a daily basis and the day after the Election. Upon picking up returned ballots, the Election Administrator shall place the returned ballot in the Ballot Security Box located at the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board Office. Following the counting of ballots, the Election Board shall maintain returned ballots in a secure location. g. Rejected Ballots. (1) The Election Board shall count only the choice(s) which can be determined. (2) The Election Board shall keep and retain all partially or completely rejected ballots for a period of at least three (3) years. h. Election Results. (1) Unofficial results will not be released. (2) The Election Board shall determine the official results of the election and shall use the Official Ballot Accounting Form (Election Board Form 5 at Appendix A). The official tallying of the votes shall be open for public observation. The public must remain quiet and in no way interfere with the orderly tallying of the ballots. (3) The Election Board shall post the official results on the Official Certificate of Election Results Form (Election Board Form 6 at Appendix A). The Official Certificate of Election Results Forms shall be signed by each Member of the Election Board. The Election Board shall post the Certificate at the Polling Places within three (3) calendar days after the date of election. (4) After the Election Board has certified the official election results, the Election Board shall include the counted ballots, the unused ballots, and the spoiled or rejected ballots, if any. The Election Board shall retain the election records for at least three (3) years.

THE FOLLOWING TERMS ARE TWO (2) YEARS WITH TWO (2) OPENINGS:

e. Qualifications of Trust and Investment Committee Members.
i. All Candidates for a position on the Trust and Investment Committee shall meet the qualifications listed in the Ho-Chunk Nation Trust and Investment Committee Establishment and Organization Act of 2011, 1 HCC § 16, which states: “5. Committee Member Qualifications:
a. To be eligible for appointment or election, Committee members shall have one or more of the following qualifications: (1) Certified Public Accountant or Charter Financial Analyst; (2) An associate or, preferably, a bachelor’s degree in accounting, business, finance; (3) Financial professional certification, including any of the following: Certified Financial Planner; Certified Fund Specialist; Chartered Financial Consultant; Chartered Investment Counselor; Certified Investment Management Analyst; Chartered Market Technician; Personal Financial Specialist; (4) At least five-years proven experience managing investments as a fiduciary on another’s behalf.”
b. If interested in appointment or election to the Committee, an individual shall submit a letter of interest and a resume as appropriate. For appointments: to the CTF Task Force for the initial appointments made by the Legislature, and to the Committee for all subsequent appointments.
For elections: to the Election Board consistent with Election Code (2 HCC § 6).
c. All potential Committee members shall undergo a credit check and a criminal background check prior to the appointment or election. A potential Committee member shall not be eligible for service on the Committee if the criminal background check reveals either of the following: (1) A felony; (2) Any crime of dishonesty, including, but not limited to, fraud, misrepresentation, theft or deception in any form. d. A potential Committee member must be able to obtain a financial bond. e. Each Committee member shall honorably protect and uphold the purpose of the Committee with integrity, diligence and foresight.
f. All the qualification requirements listed above must be maintained throughout a Committee member’s term and shall be reviewed at least annually by the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice

NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES
The official candidacy forms may be obtained from the Election Board Members or the Election Board Office. A candidate for elective office shall submit an Official Declaration of Candidacy and a \$5.00 Filing fee by hand delivery or U.S. Mail to the Election Board office before the close of the nomination period on **March 9, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.** ORIGINAL FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTION BOARD.

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:
Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See Election Code Sec. 11 (a)(b).

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:
Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual’s name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. Section 11. c. ii. (Deadline, Wednesday, May 13, 2015).

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O Box 756
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidate(s) list to Election Board is Friday, **April 3, 2015 @ 4:30 p.m.**

Ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX AND UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

POSTING ELECTION RESULTS:
The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION RESULTS:
Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:
There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

TRUST AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, June 2, 2015

POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Thursday, February 19, 2015

POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Friday, May 1, 2015

CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:30 PM
Wednesday, May 13, 2015

DAY MAIL BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED
Monday, April 20, 2015

LAST DAY TO REQUEST REPLACEMENT BALLOT
Wednesday, May 13, 2015

LAST DAY TO MAIL REPLACEMENT BALLOT
Wednesday, May 20, 2015

ALL BALLOTS DUE TO ELECTION OFFICE, POLLING SITE, ELECTION DELEGATE OR ELECTION BOARD ALTERNATE
BY TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015 AT 7:00 p.m.

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The following individual applicants have met the requirements of the HO-CHUNK NATION CODE (HCC) TITLE 2 – GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7 – TRIBAL ENROLLMENT AND MEMBERSHIP CODE, Enacted by Legislature: October 16, 2007 in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Tribal Enrollment and Membership Code. The Enrollment Officer will certify a Notice of Eligibility for Membership and will publish such Notice in the Nation’s newsletter and on the Nation’s website. Upon publication a sixty (60) Day notice period begins. The Notice of Eligibility for Membership must include the Applicant’s name, date of birth, Base Roll ancestry, Ho-Chunk Blood and parent. There will be an exemption for adoptions. Pursuant to Wisconsin and other States’ Laws certain information will be neither published nor released. **This determination may be appealed to the Committee on Tribal Enrollment (contact the Office of Tribal Enrollment) by any adult (18 years and older) enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation Member within sixty (60) Days after the date on which the Office of Tribal Enrollment publishes Notice of Eligibility for Membership. EOPUB 03272015**

APPLICANT NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	BLOOD QUANTUM	ANCESTOR	FATHER	MOTHER
BLACKDEER, Braven Cole	03/05/2014	1/4	Chau Zep Kah Black Deer 1881-00174	Kristopher Cole Blackdeer	Non-Native
BLACKDEER, Payton Shawn-Ann	03/05/2014	¼	Chau Zep Kah Black Deer 1881-00174	Kristopher Cole Blackdeer	Non-Native
CLEVELAND, Cyree Ann	01/16/2008	127/128	Cha Wak Jaxi Gah Will Greendeer 1901-00080	Moses Lee Cleveland	Jonelle Viola Smith
CLOUD, Blue Sky Parish	05/15/2007	½	Shunk Chunk Nik Kah Edward John Littlewolf 1901-1093	Non-Native	Susanna Lee Littlewolf
COON, Taylor Jay	05/09/2012	5/8	Ha Na Kah Howard White Thunder, Sr. 1901-0335	Cheyenne Gerald Coon	Kathleen Vaughn Funmaker
COTTO, Leilani Cristabella	07/03/2014	1/4	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr. 1881-00328	Non-Native	Darcy Joyce Alice Funmaker
DECORAH, Eric Scott, Jr.	10/20/2012	5/8	Ma Cha Na Kah Jones J. Decorra 1901-0430	Eric Scott Decorah, Sr.	Andrea Littlewolf
DOWLING, Danika Rose	09/17/2014	¼	Che Win Che Ka Hay Kah	Danny Richard Dowling, Jr.	Non-Native
FRIDAY, Trentin Anthony Benjamin	06/18/2007	3/8	Ma he Ke O Kah Bill Goodbear 1901-0084	Tyron Wesley Friday	Non-Native
FUNMAKER, Chaseyn Darrel	09/19/2013	7/16	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr. 1881-00328	Earlywind Max Funmaker	Non-Native
FUNMAKER, Tristan Mitchell	07/21/2013	31/64	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr. 1881-00328	Barrett Ronald Funmaker	Non-Native
GOODBEAR, Tamarack Arlo	09/05/2013	¼	Wau Konk Jah Hunkah Joseph Thunderking 1881-0266	Tamarack Phillip Goodbear	Non-Native
GREENDEER, Adeline Stella Hicks	02/23/2014	½	Cha Wak Jaxi Gah Will Greendeer 1901-00080	Cameron Stiles Greendeer	Non-Member
REENGRASS, Avery Vera Renee	01/06/2014	7/16	Ho Hump Chee Kay Ray He Kah Charlie Greengrass 1881-00286	Warrington Glen Greengrass	Angelina Marie Blackdeer
HARRISON, Xaviara Shantel	05/20/2001	¼	Neojch Tzhok He Kah John Lewis 1881-00427	Jeffrey Allen Harrison II	Non-Native
HESER, Ashlynn Pine	08/07/2012	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr. 1881-00328	John Gregory Heser	Non-Native
Houghton, Rogina Belle	10/04/2005	13/16	Taylor Holton N1910-00323	Roger Lee Houghton, Sr.	Gwendolyn Pidgeon
LANG, Monica Jahn	05/17/213	75/128	Son Nik O He Way kah George Cloud 1901-00149	Non- Member	Marvel Jean Cloud
LOWE, Brad Theodore	11/03/1996	¼	Wau Kon Jah hun Kaw Joseph Thunderking 1881-0266	Bryan Gilbert Lowe	Non-Native
MAHKIMETAS, Eagle Darwin James	03/13/2006	¼	Chau Zep Kah Black Deer 1881-00174	Non-Native	Neva Jean Littlegeorge
PETTIBONE, Jason Derek, Jr.	03/12/2012	¼	Monk Schooch Kah (Red Breast) Peter Pettibone, Sr., 1881-0582	Jason Derek Pettibone, Sr.	Non-Member
RAVE, Lawrence Rodger	05/20/2009	25/32	Henry Peter Rave W1912-00782	Gayland rave, Jr.	Alissa Kay Funmaker
SMITH, Jalene Carol	02/22/2012	87/256	Na Hik Sa Wa He Kah Charlie Youngthunder 1881-00472	Norman Jay Smith	Non-Native
SMITH, Kingsley Michael Dean	01/16/2014	87/256	Na Hik Sa Wa He Kah Charlie Youngthunder 1881-00472	Norman Jay Smith	Non-Native
TAYLOR, Melanie Francis	02/25/2013	47/64	Hay Mee Ma Nee Kah Tom Whitewater 1901-01021	Stacy Alan Yellowcloud	Marie Ann Taylor
THUNDERCLOUD, Zia Olivia-Larrea	09/10/2014	3/8	Wau Soo Mau Nee Kah Frank Snowball 1881-0502	Edwin Felipe Larrea	Shyan Dawn Thundercloud
WALKER, Cephas Sky	07/10/2014	¼	Wa Con Cha Cho Nee Kah William Decorie 1881-00486	Alan Lamont Walker	Non-Member
WHITE EAGLE, Lexene Loyal	03/26/2014	¾	Cha Wak Jaxi Gah Will Greendeer 1901-00080	Vern Elliot White Eagle	Whitney Munden
WHITE EAGLE, Paxson Luther	01/08/2008	¾	Hunk Nik Cha Kah Floyd Thomas Cloud White Eagle 1901-01085	Vilas Lee White Eagle	Gina Loy Pettibone
WHITE WING, Dallas Elijah	09/23/2014	¼	Mon Cha Qua Nee Kah Elijah White Wing 1901-0195	George Elijah White Wing	Non-Native
WILLIAMS, Lillia Ella	10/03/2013	5/8	Ha Na Kah Mike White Eagle 1901-00012	Francis Lee Willilams	Linden Funmaker
YOUNGTHUNDER, Robert Jordan	08/08/2014	¼	Wa Con Cha Nee Gee Nee Kah Youngthunder 1881-0090	Michael Benjamin Youngthunder	Non-Native

Bureau of Indian Affairs Provides Technical Comment Letter on Secretarial Election Request to Eliminate the Secretary of Interior From the Ho-Chunk Constitution Amendment

On January 16, 2015, the Regional Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Midwest Agency informed the Ho-Chunk Nation that it completed its technical review of three proposed resolutions to amend the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution.

The General Council through General Council Agency submitted three Reso-

lutions to BIA from the 2013 Annual General Council: (1) If approved the first amendment, Resolution Number 9/28/2013-1 would dramatically alter the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution by removing the Secretary of Interior from the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitutional amendment process, (2) The second proposed amendment Resolution Num-

ber 9/28/2013-5 addresses the succession for Ho-Chunk Nation leaders should vacancies occur in the Offices of the President and Vice President simultaneously. This amendment authorizes the Legislator with the most seniority to call a Special meeting of the Legislature to select a new Vice-President, and (3) The third amendment Resolution Num-

ber 9/28/2013-6 is a proposed amendment to remove the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council from the ineligible tribal member removal process.

General Council Agency has be attending Area meetings and meetings to provide information about this important Secretarial Election. On March 15, 2015, General Council Agency asked the

Bureau of Indian Affair to proceed with the Secretarial Election. General Council Agency will provide updates on this process as information becomes available. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of General Council at 715-284-7891.



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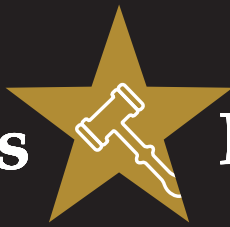
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"I have successfully transitioned to a nearly paperless courtroom, utilizing computer technology in lieu of shuffling paper files. It saves time and supplies costs. I am using Block Scheduling to stack cases in one time-block to avoid stalling the court with "wait time" until the next case is ready. I avoid taking cases "under advisement" by being prepared and decisive, because litigants deserve a prompt resolution to their dispute. As a result of all of these changes, we are seeing a slow but steady decline in the backlog of old cases in our county."

★ Working Towards Transparency and Responsible Implementation of our Grants

"I have ensured we have made full disclosure of our expenditures in our specialty courts, as well as made measureable progress in the actual start-up of the Family Treatment Court Grant. We are in the process of accepting families into the program."

★ Collaboratively Working to Improve the System

"I have brought together the schools, prosecutors, and DHHS to address the gaps in our truancy cases and we are seeing success in effectively reducing habitual truancy. I am improving the effectiveness of the Jackson County Collaborative Justice Coordinating Council to enable more efficient communication between stakeholders in the criminal justice system in an effort to achieve better overall results. I am extremely committed to working collaboratively to reduce the exploding drug problem in our community."



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The Time is Right for Change

Ho-Chunk Nation,

In the last issue, we introduced Ho-Chunk Forward, the community reinvestment plan for the Ho-Chunk Nation. We hope you’ve had time to check out our website at ho-chunkforward.com.

Below is a list of the proposed construction plans for the four Ho-Chunk Gaming properties that are undergoing renovations.

Black River Falls

Proposed renovations at Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls include a new hotel and a 24,000 square foot expansion of the gaming floor. Food and beverage options would also grow, highlighted by a brand new steakhouse. Guests can sit down for an upscale meal before attending a show at the new 12,000 square foot event center.

Wittenberg

The Wittenberg property is planning on expanding the gaming floor, adding 14,000 square feet for guests to play. A new restaurant and steakhouse will provide more food and beverage options. Wittenberg’s major undertaking would be adding a new hotel on location.

Nekoosa

Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa, nestled in the Wisconsin backwoods, is expected to add to its gaming floor, which includes a slots area and an extensive table games experience. Like Wittenberg, our Nekoosa property is also proposing a brand new hotel on location.

Wisconsin Dells

The proposed Wisconsin Dells renovations include upgrades to the gaming floor, relocating bingo, OTB, and poker areas to streamline the guest experience. A brand new destination restaurant is planned, as well as a remodeled hotel lobby. Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells would essentially be a new casino, appealing to a larger and more lucrative market.

The Ho-Chunk Nation has taken great time and effort to complete financial research for these expansion projects.

Now is an ideal time to restore our properties. Interest rates for borrowing money are low right now, making it a very smart decision given the money we will make due to the upgrades.

Growth in our gaming operations will increase our overall economic standing and create more jobs for our tribal community.

Jobs in gaming provide Nation members with an incentive and opportunity to remain in their communities. Expansion increases these job opportunities and promotes economic self-sufficiency.

Another benefit is maintaining our current per capita distribution. Over the past 8 years, the membership of Ho-Chunk Nation has grown by 12.6%. More people means that the cost to fund per capita payments also increases.

The Nation has a number of needed health, welfare, and assistance programs for our members and their families. Expansion of the existing facilities will assist us in maintaining and enhancing our community centers, assisted living, housing, supportive services, and health care.

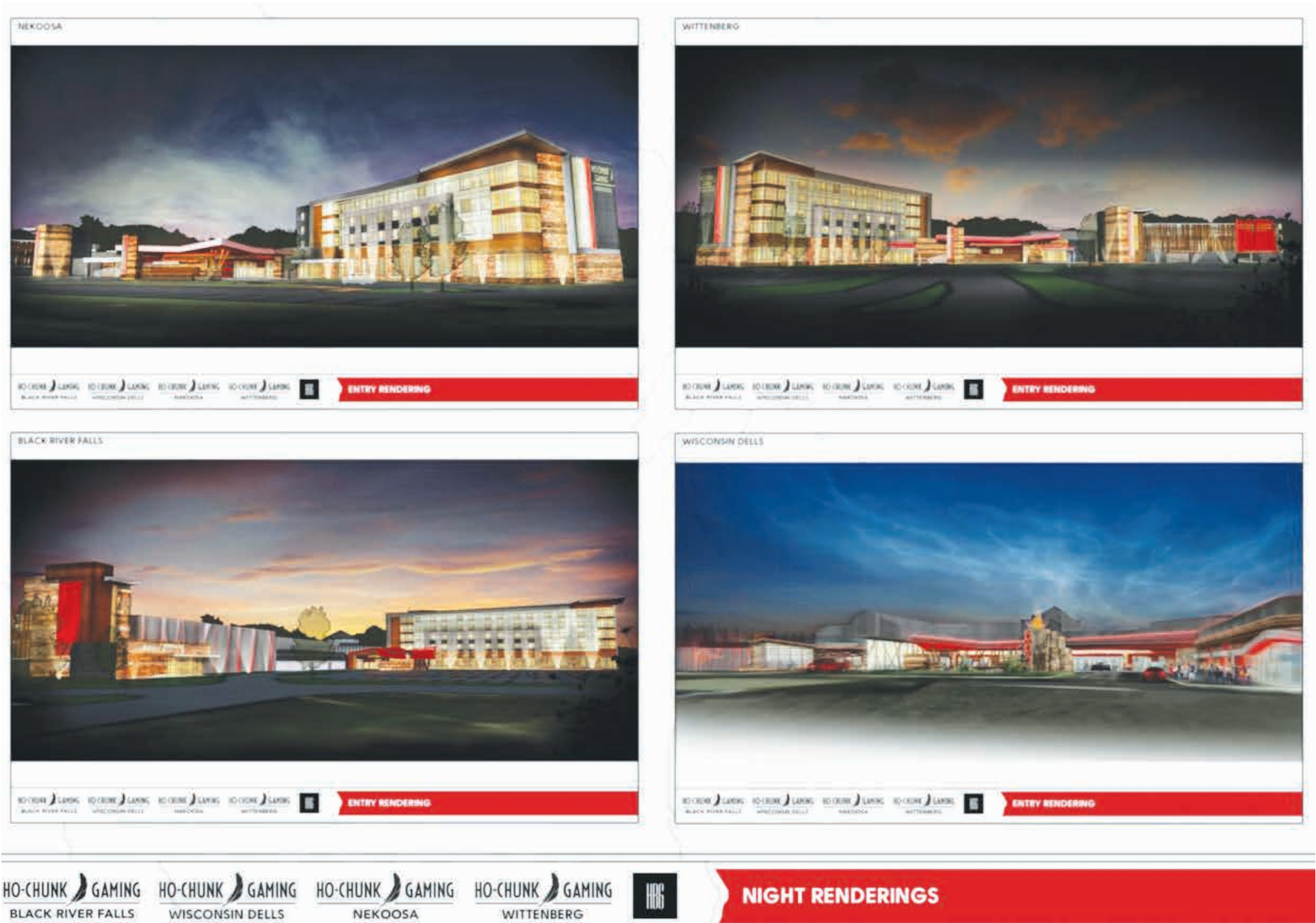
These proposed upgrades will have a positive impact on the future generations of the Ho-Chunk Nation. The time is right to take action on our recommended construction plan, which will help move the Ho-Chunk Nation forward.

We know Nation members will have additional questions about the project, and we want to hear from you.

Have feedback? Send an email to: questions@ho-chunk-forward.com.

Thank you for your patience and continued support.

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Our Tribe’s AdHoc Search Committee is Seeking Prospective Board Candidates

Qualifications of Board Members

Each Director shall possess the level of business experience and expertise to be necessary to carry out duties of Board Director and to contribute to the ability of the Corporation to achieve the purpose for which this Charter is issued.

For detailed information see full Request for Qualifications document. This is available through either Autumn White at Autumn.White@Ho-Chunk.com or Wendy@NativeCapital.com.

- All recommended Board Candidates must take and pass criminal background check:
- No person convicted of a felony shall sit on the Board.
 - No person who has ever been convicted of any crime involving theft or conversion of money or property shall sit on the Board.
 - Shall give preference to a person who have good moral character and who meet the requisite licensing requirement, if any.

See full Applicant submission guidelines contained in the Request for Qualifications.
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: APRIL 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. CST.

Please contact AHSC Chairperson, Wendy White Eagle with any questions regarding the application or interview process.

AHSC-Attn: Chairperson
Ms. Wendy White Eagle
43W900 IL Route 64, Suite H, Maple Park, IL 60151
Email: Wendy@NativeCapital.com 630.387.1113

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: APRIL 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. CST.

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DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans Affairs Advisory Board

Date: April 17, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: TOB-Veterans Affairs Division
Conference Room

The Division of Veterans Affairs encourages
all veterans and interested individuals to attend.

Should you have any questions comments or concerns please
contact the Division of Veterans Affairs at (715)284-4563.

This meeting notice is posted in accordance with the
Ho-Chunk Nation Open Meetings Act.

POSTED : January 14, 2015

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Happy 18th Birthday
April 5th
Desiree Joyce Alice Rave
“Eejahuhewiga”

We love you!
Love, Mom, Motega, Wiha, Dontay,
vanetta & Leilani

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NOTICE OF VACANCY

The Ho-Chunk Nation TERO Commission is seeking applicants to fill two (2) Vacancies.

Duties:

Carry out the provisions of this Ordinance, in accordance with the policy of Indian Preference in employment and in contracting, as established by the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature. The Commission shall be free from interference from any branch of the Ho-Chunk Nation government in carrying out their duties under this Ordinance.

Adopt, amend, or rescind rules and regulations and to develop and implement policies and guidelines necessary to carry out the provisions of this Ordinance.

Adopt bylaws and internal rules to govern the activities and procedures of the Commission.

Serve in an advisory capacity to the TERO and meet the program staff for the purpose of securing information relative to its advisory duties.

Qualifications:

Enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation

Knowledge and familiarity with the TERO Ordinance

Knowledge and understanding of employment issues

Business experience, Board experience and flexible scheduling are beneficial.

Application Deadline: April 17, 2015

Interested applicants may obtain a TERO Commissioner Application from the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Labor. Return the application along with your resume, a copy of your Tribal I.D. and Valid Driver’s License and Proof of Insurance to the Tero Department no later than 4:00 PM on April 17, 2015. The application may be dropped off in person or mailed to:

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Labor
ATTN: TERO DIRECTOR
PO BOX 667, Black River Falls, WI 54615

April
Elders Birthdays

1 Marlene Hopinkah
Anthony Kingswan
Bruce Decorah

2 Annabelle Lowe
John Whitewing
Gregory Butterfield
Thomas Powers

3 Leroy Crow Sr.
Norma Greengrass

6 Bernadine Tallmadge

7 Joan Jourdan
Jack Monegar
Mildred Moyer

8 Samuel Thundercloud
Frank Wilson
Lee Brown Jr.
Albert Orozco

9 Gladys Cloud
Regina Reel
Martin Littlewolf Jr.

10 Dean Whitewater
Bonita Clairmont
Teala Edwards
Aurelia Hopinkah
Michael Hopinka
Robert Hall

11 Linda Reider
Raymond Cabasos
Denise Ullrich
Annette Littlewolf
Spencer Lonetree

13 Bonnie Tech

14 Leona Mc Kee

15 Roger Pettibone
Charity Thunder
Gary Whitewing

16 Lois Behrens
Reginald Pettibone

17 James Greendeer
Beverly Inman
Theresa Bennett
Roger Snake
Kenneth Whitehorse

18 Ruth Decorah

19 Wilma Berefsky
Earl Blackdeer

22 Ila Waller
Nathaniel Cloud
Dorothy Decorah
Rita Gardner
Sharon Ornellas

23 Suzanne McComas
Ernestine Helgesen

24 Betty Preece
Barbara Two Bears
Verna Rieder
Victoria Blackcoon

25 Frank Tudahl
Martin Falcon
Howard Walker Jr
Roger Allen

26 Sandra Sliwicki
Jacob Lonetree
Inez Lizotte

28 Duane Turner

29 Bartola Enright

30 Samelia Pettibone

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CAMP DATES - LOCATIONS

June 20-21

July. 11-12

July 25-26

Aug. 15-16

Wis.Dells Area (HOW)

Wittenberg Area (TBD)

Black River Falls (TBD)

Tomah Area (TBD)

Stay tuned for more Information!

Contact Information: Wilfrid Cleveland, Family Services Program, Community Supportive Services Division of the Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services

Swearing in of Trial Court Associate Judge 1 and Judge 2



Election Board Chairperson Bridgette Schultz administers the oath of office to Mary Jo Brooks Hunter.



Newly elected Trial Court Associate Judge 1 JoAnn Funmaker Jones takes the oath of office.

Amos Kingsley joins Ho-Chunk Bar Association

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Amos Kingsley, 74, has had a full life of hard work and he could take it easy from this point forward.

But he isn't done yet.

Kingsley, a Ho-Chunk elder, completed Lay Advocacy training and has earned a Certificate of Admission to the Ho-Chunk Nation Bar Association.

The certificate allows King-
sley to practice law in the
court system of the Ho-Chunk
Nation.

He is part of the Elder Community Work Project, which is run by Administrator Jean Stacy.

“He accomplished the goal and is now a member of the Bar, probably the oldest ever,” Stacy said. “He will be providing Advocacy services as part of his duties as and Elder Community Work Project participant. That’s awesome in itself.”

Kingsley was raised by his grandparents and came to know and speak the Ojibwe language besides Ho-Chunk. He later met a northern Minnesota woman who was a social worker. Through his own



Amos Kingsley displays the certificate he earned that indicates he is now a member of the Ho-Chunk Bar Association.

experiences and those his wife had seen, he came to know many instances of elder and child abuse.

"I first started because of the discrepancies I saw against elders and the youth," he said. "I'm going to help elders and kids who don't have any place to go."

Kingsley was a mason, an iron worker and a truck driver for 28 years.

Maaniowasi Round Dance held at House of Wellness



Maaniowasi, Round Dance, was held at the Ho-Chunk House of Wellness in Baraboo, Wisconsin on March 14, 2015. An Adult One Man Hand Drum Contest, held in tournament style format, was the highlight of the round dance event. Winners posed for a photo. (from left) Tyler Lasley 4th place from Tama, IA; Nathan Pelly 3rd place from Saskatchewan, Canada; Joe Rainey Sr. 2nd place from Green Bay, WI; Jason Kingbird 1st place from Red Lake, MN.



April Alcohol Awareness Month

Social Dance
April 11th
Tomah
Blue Wing Community Center

Saturdays
12pm to 5pm

April 18th
Black River Falls
District 1 Community Center



Presented by HCN Division of Behavioral Health
For more info call (715)284-9851 ext. 5014

April 25th
Baraboo
House of Wellness



Lunch at noon Grand entry at 1pm
Applique Contest Drum Groups
Guest Speakers Cake Walk
and more!

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no vendors please